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WHERE IS HUDSON?

"CLAIRVOYANT" WHO "LIT" THE MORNING DEMOCRAT'S "PIPE" IS ABSENT AND SO ARE TWO VALUABLE DIAMOND RINGS.

(Lexington Leader.)

Charles Hudson, otherwise known as Edmund Bell, clairvoyant and promoter, is absent from the city, after a brief but interesting sojourn, and the public would be delighted to procure some clew that would lead to his whereabouts.

The charge lodged with the police is that Hudson stole two diamonds worth about \$1,000 from a society woman of Lexington, who had too much confidence in the occult powers of the smooth "clairvoyant."

Some time ago Bell, or Hudson, came here and established parlors at 508 North Limestone street and advertised that he was a clairvoyant and general all around handy man with the spirits, and could find lost articles if the loser would only confide in him. The woman in question had lost a locket, so the "clairvoyant" and applied to Mr. Hudson to find it for her. The clairvoyant was delighted to be of service to her, to ... "good lady" and felt satisfied that he could yank ... locked from the reluctant grasp of mystery that surrounds it and noticing two handsome solitaires on her hand, asked if she was willing to follow his instructions. She said she was ready to make the sacrifice.

He took the two rings, according to the story, placed them in an etui, sealed it and, tearing off the ... so she could see the rings gave ... with instructions to wear the envelope in her coat as a charm and return in three days if unsuccessful.

Naturally, the locket was not found, and she ... at the end of the three days.

Expressing wonder the locket had not been found, the "clairvoyant" took the envelope, with the assurance he would not fail this time, manipulated the envelope, and gave her another, with instructions to wear it for nine days, and think constantly of the lost locket. Then Hudson did the disappearing ... On Wednesday the lady opened the envelope and found two small cakes of beeswax.

It seems that the loser of the diamonds was not the only one who proved "easy" for Mr. Bellotte. He had a need for long till he succeeded in getting up a scheme to have only been the instruments of murder or greed. If Russia is whipped, look for a revolution to follow.

Let us all hope that she will meet with thorough humiliation, that the seeds of discontent will be sown so thickly at home, that they will spring up and grow rank with revenge.

This will mean civilization to Russia. A constitution, freethought, free speech, progress, education, happiness for her long suffering enslaved people.

The Japs have made more progress in the last thirty years, beginning at the very lowest of the ladder than the Russians have made in all their national existence. The defeated Russian is bound to learn the reason why, that it is up to him to stand for intellectual liberty, if he too would progress.

This war will afford the Russians the opportunity to get together and talk all matters over affecting their welfare. It will spread the discontent of Socialism all over the Empire, no matter how it turns out. If the Russian banners come trailing home in the dust look for the over slumbering discontent of the masses and burst into blaze of Freedom with the battle cry of Humanity upon fifty millions.

Comment—I want it distinctly understood that I am for Colonel Hudson-Bell (the only kind of hypocrite name that I can think of) and his son, a lame midget. I not only hope that the police won't get him, but I hope he will soon come back in person, or send some other member of his business firm, and get any other money and patronize that the class of women who patronize "clairvoyance" and "general all around handy men with the spirits," may have to blow in that kind of a graft.

This paper has a good many Spiritualistic friends, who have been giving the devil for what I said about the St. Louis Spiritualistic medium, Scott, who robbed the woman of \$300, and I have got to say something to hold my Spiritualistic patronage. I am glad Colonel Hudson-Bell got the

sight of those Lexington women, for it makes just that much less that they have to blow in on priests and preachers, and as between the sky-busters and the g. a. r. h. m. w. t. s. I am for the "general all around."

Walton, of the Democrat, has made a great big fortune by advertising the "Pink Cottage Miracles" of Rev. George O. Barnes, and Walt's everlasting life, which is a great success business. "For revenue only" may not give the Colonel an "alibi" that said he could just discount any trick from Moses and the magicians of Egypt down to Dowie, but you can just bet your sweet life that the Colonel didn't give away with any of Walt's swag. Colonel's "ad" all paid for by one miracle man is too smart to trust any one other.

FOR RUSSIA'S SAKE
RUSSIA SHOULD LOSE.

The best thing that could happen for the Russian people, and for Russia as a nation, would be to suffer defeat in the present war.

Why? Because her success will add to the glory, and strengthen the hold of plutocrat and priest. Her defeat will diminish their glory and weaken the cruel clutch her rulers have always held over the bodies and brains of the people.

Her defeat would most probably precipitate a revolution in Russia. All that is needed right now is a few brave leaders and organization.

The defeated Russian soldier coming home would be quick to join the Revolutionists and finally hurl despot and priest from their bloody thrones.

Even Russian success may bring this about. They may barely defeat the Japs and be compelled to return home with poorly earned laurels.

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There will be plenty of nihilists and Socialists in the army to spread ideas of patriotism, and the Russian soldier, having often gotten together in long years, will be come infected with new ideas of economics and government.

In Russia, no organizations of any kind are allowed. Men are not permitted to congregate and discuss State and social affairs. But the army will give them this opportunity and thousands will awaken, as from a dream, as they discuss the situation with each other.

The Russian arms are defeated, the returning soldiers will carry back the tales of their victory, while none share. They will realize that they have only been the instruments of murder or greed. If Russia is whipped, look for a revolution to follow.

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Comment—This fool Jew is telling this string of lies gain favor with the Christians who hate Jews because, they say the Jews killed their Christ.

Russia, the most Christian country, has lately been murdering Jews because they are Jews, just as people kill snakes because they are snakes, and every infidel paper in the world has damned the Jews, and now, for our pains we get the lies again in fidelity that this panzer to the Christian religion is firing off.

If the "Ingersollian type" is disappearing it is only because while Ingerson only doubted about the existence of a God, and was therefore an Agnostic, the present Infidel is an atheist, and almost any other preacher or college professor or p. agent now occupies the position that Ingerson did.

I LOST THE CLIPPING.

I cut out of some newspaper—Courier-Journal, I think—an account of some preacher, who was from Kentucky I think, who stole a big lot of money and was sent to the penitentiary.

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THE PRESS

Gives the Middle of the Stage to the Millionaire—Are the People Not Tired of This Journalistic Policy?

By Josephine K. Henry.

I got so tired of reading of and hearing about millionaires that I wish I could resign to "Poverty Flat" or that I could emigrate to "Jerusalem the Golden." It would make me feel that the soft soil and location would suit them exactly. Poor old Mother Earth does not seem to be a suitable place for the above of such fine folks

I wish we could colonize those of royal blood and royal fortune. The American press devotes its greatest energies to exploiting the millionaire, telling of their summer and winter palaces, royal wardrobes and jewels, yachts, dinners at \$1,500 a plate, \$5000 collie dogs with a retinue of attendants, automobiles, dinners to mediocres, weddings with disgusting displays. All this adds up to the American people. The influence of all this others into the daily conversation of old and young, even one you most rings in the conversation something about their millionaire relative, virgin or great-grandfathers, step-daughters' cousins' nieces, who is going to marry a millionaire, or is being divorced from one. It seems to me people have gone deaf over millionaires. It may be there is a good deal of counterfeit coin in the millions of coopers, diluted dollars and watered stock, that would not pass current over the bank counter, and then again it may be up to the gold standard. Never having had experience in handling millions, I only know it from a newspaper standpoint, but I do know that the average industrial, middle class man and woman is in the fiercest battle of life and it requires the greatest honest efforts to win.

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JERKED TO JESUS

FOR THE MURDER OF A WOMAN, IS WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO COLONEL BESS OF LEXINGTON, ON MAY 27.

"If I Have to Go That Way I Can Go Like a Man and I Can Meet My Maker Without a Quiver."

About a year ago a Lexington devil, named Bess, murdered a widow woman and sank her body in a pond, where it was found by some of her clothing floating to the top.

Bess has had three trials and has been sentenced to death by the three juries, the expense to the State being very great.

Now he has been sentenced to be hung on May 27.

In his speech that he made to the Judge, before sentence was pronounced upon him, Bess said, "If I have to go to that way I can go like a man and I can meet my Maker without a quiver."

A gang of fool Christian women, will now proceed to make a hero and Saint of the foul deed of Bess. They will go and pray with him and sing hymns with him and take him beautiful flowers and nice things, wine and cigars, so that when May 27 comes, if they have not gotten the Governor to pardon him, Bess will walk to the scaffold with several priests or preachers to send him off to heaven, while the woman he killed has already been in hell for more than a year because Bess did not give her a chance to have the preachers fix her up all right for heaven, before he murdered her,

and just as long as we have these silly Christian women, idiots and they, namely preachers and priests that do no good and live like fighting cocks out of the money they get by teaching this internal Christian superstition, we have Christian villains like Bess who murder women and, for so doing, are canonized as Saints for having murdered them and then expressed themselves as ready to "meet their Maker without a quiver."

If some fellow like Bess would turn himself loose on a few of the fashionable society church leading women and kill a dozen or two of them and sink them in ponds, while the remedy would, for a while, seem a little too strenuous perhaps, the ultimate effect would be eminently salutary and salubrious.

Our newspapers are nothing but the history of crimes perpetrated by Christians, while nobody ever hears of any Infidel committing a crime, and it is but a perfect waste of time and money and energy to try to moralize and civilize humanity until the Christian religion is wiped off the map of the world.

Christianity is utterly incompatible with the public happiness and welfare.

LEWY ANSWERED RABBI'S ROAST.

Embarrassed Situation at Large Meeting in Synagogue.

Wilmington, N. C., March 27.—A large Jewish congregation assembled at the synagogue here last night experienced a sensation through an unusual occurrence, to say nothing of the embarrassment of the situation.

Rabbi Charles Mendelsohn told his congregation that a man named Mark Levy, of Richmond, Va., general secretary of the Society for the Encouragement of the Gospel of Circumlocution, was in the city. He spoke of Mr. Levy as an impostor, and had other uncomplimentary things to say about him.

Mr. Mendelsohn and the congregation were surprised to see a stranger rise to his feet. He told them that he was the man spoken of, and that he was present as a gentleman and a

ian. He expressed regret that the rabbi had seen fit to abuse him without cause, and he then left the synagogue.

Mr. Levy is a reformed Jew and is traveling through the United States doing evangelical work. The Christian denomination of Wilmington have received him with courtesy.

SOMEBODY

DOUGHT TO TELL THE TRUTH
ABOUT MARK HANNA

Whose Political Corruptions in the State of Ohio Were a Disgrace

To the State and Nation and Branded Him as a Menace and Danger to Republican Government.

Never in the history of this country, or even in the history of the world, has a public man been so favorably landed at death, as was Mark Hanna. The amount of opposition by the public press, in personal mention of him, exceeds that given to King, President, Premier, Pope, General, Scientist, Poet, Philosopher, Scholar, Financier, Liberator or Humanitarian in all history.

The press of both parties have been equally effusive in their praise and esteem.

It would hardly seem possible that such universal praise would be bestowed upon a man, without it being based upon a large degree of merit—upon a character, brain and performance, supreme and exalted above men.

If this merit did not exist, then how is the falsecense praise of the press to be accounted for? Could it be mistakes in its general estimate of this man? Or has the Democratic spirit of the American people degenerated to humble subservience to those in authority? Hanna perishes in this country that mental servility has taken the place of independent judgment and just and free discriminating.

Truly it would seem so?

Shakespeare noted this same servility in the English in his day, and thus explained it:

"They hast seen a farmer's dog bark at a beggar? And the creature ran from the master to the dog? Behold then the great master of authority: a dog is obeyed in office."

It does not require a very close observer to be able to perceive that an entire nation of people, far removed from the people to the hired men they put in office. Even men of superior attainments will toss their hats in the air and yell for Hanna, for he is, and as the result naturally, more and more insolent and threatening the doctor becomes. And to add to the woes of the nation in office, is running the government. He is indeed a very great municipality. He is honored, respected and praised in life and dead. He is dead, and we have to submit to the attachment of his name. His can to his rear? espionage, and howbeit ad and stoned as a worthless cur, but let him once hold a position, and he is warmly kennelled in every hypocritical, base and gaudy heart. Those who, previously, were too timid to hurt him, now present to him with "a brass collar, and proclaim him the gentleman and scholar."

"Glad just stand around and see him,
And strunt on stanes an' hillock wi' him."

Hanna has been called a statesman, a profound statesman, a Christian statesman, a thinker, the greatest, the most acquisitely, the humanitarian, the public benefactor, and numerous other deplorable greatnesses, "a combination and a force." A force like of which was never known before.

Humanity is a strange thing. It will be only a little while before the times come when Hanna, as virulent toward Mark Hanna as they are now oily and flattery. They will then be saying things as mean as they are now oily and flattering.

They lie and magnify his death they will lie and magnify when Hanna is no longer a newsworthy and an object of interest. Those are natural to the flesh and all of us are more or less likewise afflicted.

I would be the last person to drag to view the private life and personal worth of Mr. Hanna.

Whatever faults, private or domestic character, of appetite, temper, or other vice, he may have, he did not let them be remembered.

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He is a part of history. The man who comes before the public must submit not only to its approval or disapproval, but also to that of posterity. He will be somebody yet to tell the truth about him. I propose to tell as much as I can. My point of view may be entirely right. But having no party affiliation, I feel that I should be credited with fairness and just intent. I shall speak only of his political career.

I concede that what was is called a success. He began a poor boy. He was energetic, ambitious and had the makings of a faultless life. He became a multi-millionaire. He possessed humor, he was of a sunny disposition, he made friends, and used them. He no doubt did many good things, but he was corrupted. The sum of money was shameful all over Ohio.

He was a good friend and a good hater. He was all that a husband and parent should be.

All this is beside, and all this is to be private, but publicly, he may be as the Dead Sea Apple, fair on the surface, but rotten core.

There is a wide difference between the private and the political life of many a man. There are men, who in their domestic affairs are the soul of honesty, but in politics are unscrupulous, conscienceless and corrupt and

such a character I believe Mark Hanna to have been.

He came by the political power a few years ago by his own skill. Mr. McKinley, who had managed to make the nation in its financial affairs, but was woefully deficient managing his own, and got into the hole to the amount of about \$150,000. Mr. Hanna came to his help, helped him out, and thus forever owned Wm. McKinley, which shrewd financial deal on the part of Mr. Hanna, was the foundation and base of all his greatness (?)

He was able to perceive that with a little pushing, McKinley had a political future, and that by hanging on him he had a political future for himself and he hung on.

In the course of time McKinley became president, and Hanna the boss man again.

Up to his election of Senator, no political fault is to be found with Mr. Hanna. But his rise to this exalted position branded him as the enemy of all good government—a menace and a danger to Republican institutions—a criminal of the worst type—such a criminal as even monarchs in history.

Mr. Hanna was publicly accused by air parties of having purchased the Senate seat of George F. Hoar.

It is natural that the Democratic party would make a great effort to do this. But it was not alone. The Republican conscience too, was aroused and most evident in his election, openly charging bribery.

Mr. Hanna was in deep disgrace in parties.

He was, however, but after much wrangling, the contest never came off. It has been openly asserted that further use of money was made to turn up the contest, continuing until the head of the contest quieted the cry of fraud and bribery gradually died out.

Mr. Hanna was thus permitted to sit in the Senate, and he was elected.

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He was elected just by a majority of one vote. This vote was cast by Dr. L. M. Clegg, member of the legislature.

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CHRISTIAN RELIGION

NOT A SYSTEM FOR IMPROVEMENT—JAPS TO STUDY RELIGION TO SEE HOW MUCH IT ENTERS INTO DAILY LIFE.

By Harriet M. Closz.

The following clipping is from the Chinese Chronicle and is a true estimate of the injustice of our system of religion:

Seattle, Wash., March 24.—A party of wealthy Japanese have arrived to visit the principal centers of the United States, inspect rolling-mills and factories of all kinds, and look into the condition of the poor, examining the practical working of the laws and ascertaining if possible whether religion enters to any appreciable extent into the actual daily life of the people.

One of the party, a graduate of a university, said that, after most careful examination, absolutely unprejudiced and free from preconceptions, the Japanese had unanimously and unquestionably rejected the religion of the European nations, adding, "which they did not want and did not need."

Had these representatives of the great Buddhist religion sent an inquiry to the Blue Grass State it might have saved the time and expense of personal investigation but now that they have heard and seen and experienced some of the fearful consequences of Christian teaching they are better satisfied than if a report had been given by others.

Imagine the surprise of these Parsons who had heard only glowing reports of the religion of the meek and lowly Jesus, which the missionaries have declared regenerates fallen man, and restores him to justice. Imagine their surprise when landing from the floating palace of the shipping trust to find swarming the wharves and streets the pinched and puny representatives of poverty—not poverty as a general term, but the seal of starvation stamped upon many faces. Imagine their disgust upon being jostled by staggering leering and profane pedestrians reeking with the fumes of liquor. Imagine, if you can, their consternation when informed that there are in the United States 600,000 outcast women and several millions of illegitimate children. That in this great country which produces enough to feed the world there are forests that are hundreds of thousands of miles without work and without homes. That in the industrial field there are millions of child laborers whose minds are dwarfed and bodies maimed. That women toil in filthy sweatshops for the miserable pittance which barely preserves life. That domestic felicity is a thing almost unknown and family tragedies of a score a day are chronicled. That lynchings and burnings at the stake are so frequent as to cause little thought or comment. That public officials shamelessly barter their influence and their honor. That our penitentiaries and jails are overflowing with criminals. That our schools and asylums are crowded with the helpless victims of cruelty and extortion. That the pretentious corporations demand military assistance to humiliate, crush and if need be kill the producer of wealth. That the immense and valuable church properties escape payment of just taxation. That among God's representatives—the priesthood—is found the highest per cent of criminality. That the dictatorial oppressors of the weak sit highest in the sanctuary. That militarism and imperialism are making men mad with the fever for show and conquest. That humaneness is regarded only as a liability to be relinquished at the behest of priest or political power. Church work is carried on by women who have no voice in councils ecclesiastic, and who are excluded from the future heavenly kingdom. That the wealth of the churches of Christendom is so great it cannot be computed while destruction, degradation and despair thrive in their shadows. That libertines, embezzlers and black-mailers walk the streets in placid and respectable security and imagine their incredulous horror when told that all these evils which are rampant in Christendom may be forgiven and that the victim or the perpetrator may find peace hereafter the right hand of God by complying with the Christian dogma of living in the atomized spirit of his son Jesus Christ.

Oh, yes, these Pagans who are acknowledged by students and travelers to be upright and just and reputable citizens, must have been profoundly shocked, not to say supremely disgusted at the conditions existing in

this much vaunted Christian civilization of America.

Some time ago a scare head account appeared of how narrowly China escaped being Christianized. It told of how after hearing of the fame of Jesus that a delegation of celestial beings were sent Westward to study the system. They traveled to the coast of Ceylon where Buddhism is found in its native purity, and supposing they had located the religion they sought, returned and taught the precepts of the Lord Buddha.

However, this story seems to have been fabricated by some enterprising author. In "The Sacred Pearl in Religious Systems of the World," it says: Buddhism was introduced into China 123 B. C. by Ho-Ko-Ping; hence it would be impossible for the celestials to have heard of Jesus 123 years before his birth or 450 years before his church was established in Rome.

Perhaps, though, the philosophers from old Cathay may have had visions and prophesied the coming of our Lord Jesus as the Bible prophets are said to have done. We often hear the expression, "If Christianity were not true it would not have survived the centuries," but, please, consider the Buddhists, who have probably persisted many centuries longer than Christians, and their adherents out number the Christians by ten of millions.

The fact that many of the learned French, English and German scholars repudiate Christianity should have warned these Japanese pilgrims that Buddhism is a better working proposition than Christianity. The great English student, Sir Edwin Arnold who has just died, soon his life in Orient research and accepted the teachings of Buddha and wrote much in their favor.

Japan has made rapid strides in material progress during the last few years and has been won over to Western civilization, but if she is half-headed or so infatuated as to declare against the religion of Jesus Christ, she may as well renounce her right to disinterment as Christianity.

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DEATH OF AN INFIDEL.

The Louisville Baptist Church, in Louisville, now conducts its services with police men on guard to keep one faction from assaulting the other, as the Mohammedans, in Jerusalem do to keep the Christians from fighting to the hilt one of the two graves of Jesus.

The Courier-Journal's second long account of Leonard's preaching ends as follows:

Another Explanation.

E. P. Brewer, another of the opposing element, denies that his bitterness against Rev. Dr. Leonard was engendered because of Mr. Leonard's stand against saloons. "I do not want saloons any more than he does," said Mr. Brewer, "but I objected to the method he adopted to keep them away. I say his methods were not right."

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cotton operators in this country and 200,000 were forced to go to England. Men, women and children were made too hungry and no doubt some died from lack of necessities during sickness.

On one hand could be heard the roar and pandemonium of the New York stock exchange, on the other woman's wretched sobs and finished infants cries.

A loss of \$7,000,000 is figured in wages to workers and all the suffering to a loss involves man,

Rev. Daniel J. Sully might gamble in a necessity of life.

Still people wonder why there are Socialists and desperate Anarchists. It is foolish for the government to make laws to keep Anarchists out of the country, as long as it upholds and sanctions conditions which make them right here—so long as it permits stock gamblers to cover the necessities of life and thus renders homeless and hungry the producer of those necessities.

J. B. W.

PANIC STARTED IN CHURCH—FIGHT TO GAIN EXIT.

New Haven, Conn.—Twenty persons were injured, four seriously, in a panic which occurred during mass in St. Michael's Roman Catholic church this morning. The church was crowded to the doors, about 1,500 people constituting the congregation. In the midst of the celebration of mass some one raised the cry of fire because of the smell of gas from a broken fixture.

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"When I am dead my wish is that my body shall be cremated. Then I will that my ashes shall be placed in an urn and taken back to Louisville, my birthplace and the home of my boyhood, and there scattered upon the waves of the beautiful Ohio river. When this is done, if the Angel Gabriel can collect my remains for the judgment, I will take off my hat to him and will be there at the last recall."

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There came to the penitentiary today Zanesville a beautiful 19-year-old girl, who is sentenced to serve two years for forgery. She is Grace Ethell, who has been prominent in religious work at Zanesville. Few doubt that she is a genuine kleptomaniac. Her crime was forging the name of a cousin to a \$200 check. The forgery was committed by the young woman as means of raising money with which to entertain some religious workers in Zanesville. She is a mild blonde and was handsomely dressed. At the prison she put on the gingham garb of female convicts, and Wardens Hershey shipped her fine clothes back to her Zanesville home.

PLOT TO ASSASSINATE POPE.

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SUDDEN END OF REV. J.

MR. FISHER'S PASTORATE.

Deacon Calls Him Down and Congregation Shuts Him Out of the Pulpit.

Cleveland, O., March 27.—The pastor of the Rev. J. Alfred Fisher, of the Franklin Avenue Congregational church, was terminated to-day in a sensational manner. Mr. Fisher has, since coming to the church last November, been charged with too liberal views in his pulpit utterances, and he had been asked to resign. His contract, however, extends for three months. Mr. Fisher spoke of the manner in which people regard the Bible, declaring that it had been tampered with.

Mr. Fisher will leave Cleveland Thursday. He came to Cleveland from the church of the late Dr. Seudder of Brooklyn, N. Y., and is widely known.

HOLY WEEK.

The Mayor of Jeffersonville, Ind., forbids Public Lent After Easter.

Louisville, Ky., March 28.—By order of the Mayor, Holy Week will be observed in Jeffersonville alike by all classes, in that no public balls will be permitted. Mayor Schwaninger says that society can go free and do it will after Easter, but the preceding seven days Lent must be respected.

The order has been issued and will be enforced. All public balls and meetings of a social nature which had been planned for this week have been postponed, and those who do not believe in the observance of Lent and Holy Week have to refrain from merrymaking for seven days, whether it is in their pleasure or not.

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CONSCIENCE STRICKEN AFTER MANY YEARS.

(From Marion (Ohio) Press).

A well known lady of this place received a few days ago a letter from an old friend, who now lives in California, confessing to the writer of the letter he had once stolen a chicken and also a box of snuff from this lady and asking forgiveness.

She stated she had been attending one of Sam Jones' meetings, and that she was going to meet her ways. She wanted to know the worth of the articles stolen, and said she would make incite restoration.

SENTENCE

On Nashville Preacher Who Suborned Testimony Is Affirmed.

Nashville, Tenn., March 26.—The sentence imposed upon Rev. B. A. Cherry was today affirmed by the Supreme Court. Rev. Cherry was convicted on the charge of subordination of perjury in procuring false affidavits to support his claim for indemnity years ago.

against a fire insurance company and his punishment was fixed at three years.

William Littrell, member of the 11th Illinois artillery company, was arrested last week at Ft. Adams, charged with complicity in the double killing at Mt. Victory church in Palusky county, Ky., last summer.

The Rev. George O. Barnes, of Estill, Ky., March 28.—The Rev. George O. Barnes, the noted evangelist of Eastern Kentucky, of the Rock Cottage Circuit, is in a series of meetings here. Estill county is the sixth county he has preached in in this tour and it is his purpose to preach in each county of the State.

The Rev. George O. Barnes, President of Lexington Women's Club and a prominent church worker, committed suicide this last week by shooting himself. She was the daughter of Squire Bassett, President of the Fayette National Bank and widow of Dr. Matthew T. Scott, who died a few weeks ago.